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## DISCUSSION

## THE INDIVIDUALITY OF PUBLIC UTILITIES, NOTABLY WATER WORKS

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Mr. A. A. Reimer: Referring to the figures given by Mr. Miller as the average cost of water systems per capita and per million gallons pumped, the speaker came in contact with some of the engineers of the National Board of Fire Underwriters during a recent survey by that board, and, in discussing the water system of the company under survey, these engineers told the speaker that they considered that to be up to date a system of fire protection seldom cost less than \$40 per capita. This is given as an interesting fact and to show the attitude of the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

In more recent years we have had an engineer who is a specialist working on our system, and today we consider it to be in first class condition.